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1. Participation by German politicians in political conferences outside of the French Zone was restricted by a blanket order of the middle of July 1946, which compels the persons involved to go through formalities that practically amount to a travel ban. Until that time Kreis leaders could issue travel permits to persons attending conferences; but now applications must be made over and above Kreis leaders to the Land governor, who in turn must clear the applications through the Military Government in Baden Baden. Usually, the process takes three to four weeks. Thus applications are made only in the rarest cases, since dates of meetings are usually known only a week in advance.
2. The July decree clearly shows a policy not of forbidding, but merely of discouraging attendance of conferences outside of the zone.
3. Through intervention by the French Socialist Party, the decree was modified to permit Land governors to decide on some cases themselves. They can also block a case if they see that it is to their advantage.
4. In most cases the persons concerned are able to get around this regulation by obtaining for personal or business reasons a zone pass which is valid over a period of time. In this way they can simply go to meetings without notifying the Military Government of the true purpose of their trip. In individual cases the Military Government has afforded official travel permits for meetings. However, a general ruling for the whole French Zone has apparently not been made.

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